

CHAIRISH THE FUTURE 2026



CHAIR CHALLENGE

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!



FURNITURE BANK OF METRO ATLANTA

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[The Furniture Bank of Metro Atlanta](#) seeks talented artists to apply for its annual Chair Challenge, a unique design contest where artists transform used furniture pieces into works of art to be auctioned off at [Chairish the Future](#).

Chairish the Future is a gala that includes a live and silent auction to raise much-needed funds for the Furniture Bank. This year's event is especially important, as the Furniture Bank is recovering from a fire that destroyed our warehouse back in June. We need your support to ensure this year's fundraiser is the biggest one yet!

Any chair, table, or other small piece of furniture may be used as the starting point for your artistic creation, or you can make a piece of furniture entirely from scratch!

Submissions that are created with unique design, materials or concepts are most popular. Only the top 20 individual artist pieces will be selected upon submission by a jury. Register today!

Selected artists and designers will receive:

- Two tickets to the gala (valued at \$100 each)
- Picture and artist bio on the Furniture Bank website
- Display of piece and signage at the gala

Event Details:

Date: Friday, February 27, 2026

Location: The Foundry at Puritan Mill (916 Joseph E. Lowery Blvd NW)

Attendees: 400+ people from the Atlanta business, art, & design communities

How to Participate:

Step #1: Complete the [Chair Challenge Artist Registration Form](#).

Step #2: Select the furniture piece you plan to transform and **take a “before” picture**. You can transform a piece you already have, one you find at a local thrift store, or one from the Furniture Bank warehouse. If you'd like to use a piece from the Furniture Bank warehouse, please contact events@furniturebankatlanta.org to schedule a time to stop by. Please note: we will be closed Dec. 20 - Jan. 4.

Step #3: Complete the [Artist Bio Form](#) and bring your completed piece to the Furniture Bank by **Friday, February 6th**. The Furniture Bank will accept drop-offs Mon-Fri from 8am-4pm up to the Feb. 6 deadline. Our address is 2179 Bouldercrest Rd SE, Atlanta, GA 30316.

Step #4: Celebrate your hard work and the Furniture Bank at the Chairish the Future gala and auction event on **Friday, February 27th!**

Award Categories:

Champion of Chairish:

This is the crème de la crème of furniture. Your best in show. If this chair were a dog, it would win the Westminster dog show. A football team? Your Super Bowl champs. Bow down to this artist, because they are the Champion of Chairish!

Victor of the Vote:

The people voted, and the winner prevailed! The victor of the vote campaigned through art and canvassed through skill. Let's now inaugurate your people's choice!

Sensational from Scratch:

A creative vision brought to life! This award honors the artist whose craftsmanship, innovation, and dedication resulted in the most exceptional furniture masterpiece made entirely from scratch.

Contest Guidelines:

- Any piece of furniture may be used as the starting point for your creation, or you can make a piece of furniture from scratch.
- Artists and designers may participate as individuals, in pairs, or as a corporate team.
- Each artist or team can submit only one piece to the Chair Challenge.
- All furniture art must be completed and delivered by Friday, February 6, 2026.
- Deadlines are important and will be taken into consideration when judging submissions.
- Final submissions must fit within a display area of 5'x5' sq.
- Props may be added to and used within the display, but must not exceed the 5'x5' sq. floor plan.
- Please keep in mind that the display will be auctioned off 'in total,' including all items/props used within the display area.
- All artwork must be original.
- Submitted pieces may not be highly political, religious in nature, or inappropriate in any way.
- The Furniture Bank reserves the right to not include submitted pieces in the live/silent auctions. In this case, the submission will be returned to the artist.
- Once submitted, the chair becomes the property of the Furniture Bank of Metro Atlanta. However, reproduction rights of the chair to sell belong solely to the artist.
- The Furniture Bank will set all starting bids for the auction.
- Contest will conclude on February 27, 2026 at the Chairish the Future gala & auction, where chairs will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.



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REGISTER NOW!

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